U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

In the Matter of BEVERLY BARNES <u>and</u> DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES, SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION, Philadelphia, Pa.

Docket No. 97-184; Submitted on the Record; Issued October 9, 1998

DECISION and ORDER

Before GEORGE E. RIVERS, BRADLEY T. KNOTT, A. PETER KANJORSKI

The issue is whether appellant sustained an injury to her neck, left shoulder, back and legs in the performance of duty.

The Board has given careful consideration to the issue involved, the contentions of appellant on appeal and the entire case record. The Board finds that the July 26, 1996 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs' hearing representative is in accordance with the facts and the law in this case and therefore adopts the findings and conclusions of the hearing representative.

The July 26, 1996 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs is affirmed.

Dated, Washington, D.C. October 9, 1998

> George E. Rivers Member

Bradley T. Knott Alternate Member

A. Peter Kanjorski Alternate Member